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		2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
ESTIMATES OF UNEMPLOYMENT - June quarter						
Unemployed persons	no.	4 197	4 466	4 302	4 265	4 065
Unemployment rate	%	5.2	5.4	5.1	4.9	4.4
TAXATION STATISTICS - year ended 30 June						
Non-taxable individuals	no.	17 848	19 092	20 151	20 418	-
Taxable individuals	no.	69 584	70 203	70 881	71 554	-
Taxable income	$m	2 517.2	2 626.6	2 767.9	2 919.0	-
Average taxable income	$	36 175	37 414	39 049	40 794	-
Net tax	$m	565.5	605.1	639.4	679.0	-
Average net tax	$	8 127	8 619	9 021	9 489	-
Average net tax ratio	%	22.5	23.0	23.1	23.3	-
WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS * - year ended 30 June						
Wage and salary earners	no.	59 915	61 029	61 545	62 481	-
Wage and salary income	$m	1 984.1	2 084.7	2 206.0	2 325.0	-
Total income	$m	2 069.8	2 173.6	2 300.0	2 423.8	-
Average wage and salary income	$	33 116	34 159	35 844	37 211	-
Average total income	$	34 546	35 615	37 371	38 792	-
WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS BY AGE AND SEX * - year ended 30 June						
Males - 15 years to 24 years	no.	6 535	6 569	6 683	6 848	-
Males - 25 years to 34 years	no.	7 275	7 244	7 058	7 060	-
Males - 35 years to 44 years	no.	7 968	7 893	7 758	7 633	-
Males - 45 years to 54 years	no.	6 872	6 953	6 997	7 159	-
Males - 55 years and over	no.	4 092	4 383	4 596	4 767	-
Males - Total	no.	32 742	33 042	33 092	33 467	-
Females - 15 years to 24 years	no.	5 411	5 475	5 557	5 787	-
Females - 25 years to 34 years	no.	5 976	6 062	6 032	6 004	-
Females - 35 years to 44 years	no.	6 818	6 944	7 042	6 882	-
Females - 45 years to 54 years	no.	6 153	6 440	6 627	6 888	-
Females - 55 years and over	no.	2 819	3 063	3 192	3 454	-
Females - Total	no.	27 177	27 984	28 450	29 015	-
Persons - 15 years to 24 years	no.	11 946	12 044	12 240	12 635	-
Persons - 25 years to 34 years	no.	13 251	13 306	13 090	13 064	-
Persons - 35 years to 44 years	no.	14 786	14 837	14 800	14 515	-
Persons - 45 years to 54 years	no.	13 025	13 393	13 624	14 047	-
Persons - 55 years and over	no.	6 911	7 446	7 788	8 221	-
Persons - Total	no.	59 919	61 026	61 542	62 482	-
WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS BY OCCUPATION * - year ended 30 June						
Managers and Administrators	no.	-	4 066	4 095	4 286	-
Professionals	no.	-	10 071	9 996	10 016	-
Associate Professionals	no.	-	3 284	3 352	3 447	-
Tradespersons and Related Workers	no.	-	7 771	7 722	7 950	-
Advanced Clerical and Service Workers	no.	-	1 446	1 398	1 384	-
Intermediate Clerical, Sales and Service Workers	no.	-	9 756	9 932	10 218	-
Intermediate Production and Transport Workers	no.	-	4 949	4 957	5 162	-
Elementary Clerical, Sales and Service Workers	no.	-	5 782	5 789	6 072	-
Labourers and Related Workers	no.	-	9 424	9 111	9 020	-
Not Stated	no.	-	5 791	5 197	4 930	-
Total wage and salary earners	no.	-	62 340	61 549	62 485	-
PERSONS WITH OWN UNINCORPORATED BUSINESS * - year ended 30 June						
Males						
Males with own unincorporated business	no.	8 181	7 510	6 476	-	-
Own unincorporated business income	$m	300.1	263.8	211.4	-	-
Total income	$m	291.4	273.1	233.3	-	-
Average own unincorporated business income	$	36 688	35 120	32 645	-	-
Average total income	$	35 616	36 365	36 024	-	-
Females						
Females with own unincorporated business	no.	5 144	4 645	4 085	-	-
Own unincorporated business income	$m	162.2	137.1	107.6	-	-
Total income	$m	165.4	146.5	126.1	-	-

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Average own unincorporated business income	$	31 529	29 517	26 343	-	-
Average total income	$	32 151	31 541	30 857	-	-
Persons						
Persons with own unincorporated business	no.	13 325	12 155	10 561	-	-
Own unincorporated business income	$m	462.3	400.9	319.0	-	-
Total income	$m	456.8	419.6	359.3	-	-
Average own unincorporated business income	$	34 697	32 979	30 207	-	-
Average total income	$	34 279	34 522	34 025	-	-
COUNTS OF BUSINESS ENTRIES AND EXITS						
Number of Businesses - at 30 June						
Non-employing businesses	no.	-	10 827	10 428	9 645	9 765
Employing businesses: 1 to 4 employees	no.	-	3 690	4 026	4 449	4 455
Employing businesses: 5 or more employees	no.	-	2 919	3 162	3 390	3 414
Total businesses	no.	-	17 436	17 616	17 484	17 634
Business Entries - year ended 30 June						
Non-employing businesses	no.	-	-	1 533	1 446	1 506
Employing businesses	no.	-	-	780	741	873
Total business entries	no.	-	-	2 313	2 187	2 379
Business Exits - year ended 30 June						
Non-employing businesses	no.	-	-	1 959	1 953	1 425
Employing businesses	no.	-	-	180	183	738
Total business exits	no.	-	-	2 139	2 136	2 163
Number of Businesses by Industry - at 30 June						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	no.	-	6 558	6 567	6 456	6 510
Mining	no.	-	72	84	81	84
Manufacturing	no.	-	717	732	687	696
Electricity, gas and water supply	no.	-	24	27	21	21
Construction	no.	-	2 028	2 100	2 118	2 127
Wholesale trade	no.	-	549	549	585	615
Retail trade	no.	-	1 899	1 884	1 899	1 848
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	no.	-	594	603	606	624
Transport and storage	no.	-	942	957	939	936
Communication services	no.	-	162	168	174	159
Finance and insurance	no.	-	489	537	540	525
Property and business services	no.	-	2 109	2 130	2 148	2 235
Education	no.	-	69	63	51	54
Health and community services	no.	-	603	600	600	597
Cultural and recreational services	no.	-	291	276	276	276
Personal and other services	no.	-	330	339	303	327
Total businesses	no.	-	17 436	17 616	17 484	17 634

* These data relate to persons for whom this source of income was their principal source of income for the relevant financial year

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		2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX - at 30 June						
Males - 0 to 4 years	no.	6 421	6 245	6 152	6 132	6 087
Males - 5 years to 9 years	no.	6 814	6 792	6 723	6 639	6 645
Males - 10 years to 14 years	no.	7 090	7 043	6 985	6 875	6 788
Males - 15 years to 19 years	no.	6 902	6 917	6 811	6 799	6 807
Males - 20 years to 24 years	no.	5 334	5 432	5 548	5 568	5 546
Males - 25 years to 29 years	no.	5 214	5 035	4 926	4 873	4 964
Males - 30 years to 34 years	no.	5 894	5 876	5 771	5 695	5 534
Males - 35 years to 39 years	no.	6 134	5 924	5 797	5 780	5 796
Males - 40 years to 44 years	no.	6 675	6 634	6 559	6 403	6 225
Males - 45 years to 49 years	no.	6 176	6 249	6 256	6 287	6 437
Males - 50 years to 54 years	no.	6 151	6 111	6 100	6 139	6 139
Males - 55 years to 59 years	no.	5 249	5 500	5 679	5 806	5 987
Males - 60 years to 64 years	no.	4 284	4 299	4 443	4 651	4 817
Males - 65 years to 69 years	no.	3 622	3 737	3 795	3 843	3 956
Males - 70 years to 74 years	no.	3 198	3 142	3 118	3 170	3 195
Males - 75 years to 79 years	no.	2 242	2 329	2 393	2 435	2 504
Males - 80 years to 84 years	no.	1 258	1 313	1 355	1 420	1 524
Males - 85 years and over	no.	875	842	829	869	925
Males - Total	no.	89 533	89 420	89 240	89 384	89 876
Females - 0 to 4 years	no.	6 009	5 906	5 820	5 695	5 690
Females - 5 years to 9 years	no.	6 460	6 346	6 264	6 187	6 184
Females - 10 years to 14 years	no.	6 687	6 675	6 610	6 636	6 531
Females - 15 years to 19 years	no.	6 508	6 446	6 396	6 327	6 283
Females - 20 years to 24 years	no.	4 777	4 845	4 947	5 055	5 152
Females - 25 years to 29 years	no.	5 076	4 982	4 754	4 609	4 593
Females - 30 years to 34 years	no.	5 759	5 753	5 697	5 619	5 385
Females - 35 years to 39 years	no.	6 015	5 770	5 624	5 572	5 745
Females - 40 years to 44 years	no.	6 418	6 465	6 432	6 350	6 223
Females - 45 years to 49 years	no.	5 905	5 961	5 977	6 080	6 135
Females - 50 years to 54 years	no.	5 627	5 631	5 641	5 678	5 749
Females - 55 years to 59 years	no.	5 006	5 194	5 321	5 496	5 657
Females - 60 years to 64 years	no.	4 162	4 267	4 381	4 507	4 697
Females - 65 years to 69 years	no.	3 636	3 708	3 770	3 878	3 899
Females - 70 years to 74 years	no.	3 310	3 256	3 220	3 238	3 297
Females - 75 years to 79 years	no.	2 861	2 913	2 912	2 872	2 939
Females - 80 years to 84 years	no.	2 093	2 102	2 173	2 253	2 321
Females - 85 years and over	no.	1 940	1 969	1 968	2 061	2 145
Females - Total	no.	88 249	88 189	87 907	88 113	88 625
Persons - 0 to 4 years	no.	12 430	12 151	11 972	11 827	11 777
Persons - 5 years to 9 years	no.	13 274	13 138	12 987	12 826	12 829
Persons - 10 years to 14 years	no.	13 777	13 718	13 595	13 511	13 319
Persons - 15 years to 19 years	no.	13 410	13 363	13 207	13 126	13 090
Persons - 20 years to 24 years	no.	10 111	10 277	10 495	10 623	10 698
Persons - 25 years to 29 years	no.	10 290	10 017	9 680	9 482	9 557
Persons - 30 years to 34 years	no.	11 653	11 629	11 468	11 314	10 919
Persons - 35 years to 39 years	no.	12 149	11 694	11 421	11 352	11 541
Persons - 40 years to 44 years	no.	13 093	13 099	12 991	12 753	12 448
Persons - 45 years to 49 years	no.	12 081	12 210	12 233	12 367	12 572
Persons - 50 years to 54 years	no.	11 778	11 742	11 741	11 817	11 888
Persons - 55 years to 59 years	no.	10 255	10 694	11 000	11 302	11 644
Persons - 60 years to 64 years	no.	8 446	8 566	8 824	9 158	9 514
Persons - 65 years to 69 years	no.	7 258	7 445	7 565	7 721	7 855
Persons - 70 years to 74 years	no.	6 508	6 398	6 338	6 408	6 492
Persons - 75 years to 79 years	no.	5 103	5 242	5 305	5 307	5 443
Persons - 80 years to 84 years	no.	3 351	3 415	3 528	3 673	3 845
Persons - 85 years and over	no.	2 815	2 811	2 797	2 930	3 070
Persons - Total	no.	177 782	177 609	177 147	177 497	178 501
POPULATION DENSITY - at 30 June						
Population density	persons/km^2	-	-	-	-	2.8
INDIGENOUS POPULATION - Census 2006						
Percentage of total population	%	-	-	-	-	4.7
OVERSEAS BORN POPULATION: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION - Census 2006						
Born in Oceania and Antarctica (excluding Australia)	%	-	-	-	-	1.0
Born in North-West Europe	%	-	-	-	-	3.4
Born in Southern and Eastern Europe	%	-	-	-	-	0.8
Born in North Africa and the Middle East	%	-	-	-	-	0.2
Born in South-East Asia	%	-	-	-	-	0.4
Born in North-East Asia	%	-	-	-	-	0.3
Born in Southern and Central Asia	%	-	-	-	-	0.2

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Born in Americas	%	-	-	-	-	0.3
Born in Sub-Saharan Africa	%	-	-	-	-	0.3
Total born overseas	%	-	-	-	-	6.9
SPEAKS A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH AT HOME - Census 2006						
Percentage of total population aged 15 years and over	%	-	-	-	-	2.4
LEVEL OF POST SCHOOL QUALIFICATIONS: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER - Census 2006						
Postgraduate Degree	%	-	-	-	-	1.2
Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate	%	-	-	-	-	1.0
Bachelor Degree	%	-	-	-	-	7.2
Advanced Diploma and Diploma	%	-	-	-	-	5.5
Certificate	%	-	-	-	-	19.6
Inadequately Described/Not Stated	%	-	-	-	-	13.1
Total with qualifications	%	-	-	-	-	47.6
OCCUPATION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL EMPLOYED PERSONS - Census 2006						
Managers	%	-	-	-	-	17.9
Professionals	%	-	-	-	-	14.6
Technicians and Trades Workers	%	-	-	-	-	14.6
Community and Personal Service Workers	%	-	-	-	-	9.1
Clerical and Administrative Workers	%	-	-	-	-	12.1
Sales Workers	%	-	-	-	-	9.0
Machinery Operators and Drivers	%	-	-	-	-	8.2
Labourers	%	-	-	-	-	13.0
Inadequately Described/Not Stated	%	-	-	-	-	1.6
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE - Census 2006						
Lone person households	no.	-	-	-	-	16 819
Group households	no.	-	-	-	-	1 735
Family households	no.	-	-	-	-	44 461
Total households	no.	-	-	-	-	63 013
FAMILIES BY TYPE - Census 2006						
Couple families with children under 15 and/or dependent students	no.	-	-	-	-	16 126
Couple families with non-dependent children only	no.	-	-	-	-	3 152
Couple families without children	no.	-	-	-	-	18 036
One parent families with children under 15 and/or dependent students	no.	-	-	-	-	4 930
One parent families with non-dependent children only	no.	-	-	-	-	2 138
Other families	no.	-	-	-	-	613
Total families	no.	-	-	-	-	44 995
INTERNAL MIGRATION - Census 2006						
Persons who lived at same address 1 year ago	no.	-	-	-	-	135 717
Persons who lived at different address 1 year ago	no.	-	-	-	-	24 378
Persons who lived at same address 5 years ago	no.	-	-	-	-	89 311
Persons who lived at different address 5 years ago	no.	-	-	-	-	51 693
PROPORTION OF POPULATION BY REMOTENESS AREA - Census 2006						
Major Cities	%	-	-	-	-	0.0
Inner Regional	%	-	-	-	-	72.0
Outer Regional	%	-	-	-	-	26.8
Remote	%	-	-	-	-	1.2
Very Remote	%	-	-	-	-	0.0
PROPORTION OF POPULATION BY SECTION OF STATE - Census 2006						
Major Urban	%	-	-	-	-	0.0
Other Urban	%	-	-	-	-	70.0
Bounded Locality	%	-	-	-	-	4.9
Rural Balance	%	-	-	-	-	25.1
UNPAID WORK: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER - Census 2006						
Persons undertaking voluntary work for an organisation or group	%	-	-	-	-	25.3
Persons caring for own children without pay	%	-	-	-	-	21.8
Persons caring for other children without pay	%	-	-	-	-	8.2
Persons caring for own children and other children without pay	%	-	-	-	-	1.2
Persons providing unpaid care, help or assistance to family members or others	%	-	-	-	-	12.1
ACCESS TO INTERNET AT HOME: PROPORTION OF OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS - Census 2006						
Broadband connection	%	-	-	-	-	24.3
Dial-up connection	%	-	-	-	-	28.6
Other connection	%	-	-	-	-	0.7
Total internet connections	%	-	-	-	-	53.6

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BIRTHS AND DEATHS - year ended 31 December						
Births	no.	2 198	2 179	2 113	2 169	2 161
Total fertility rate	rate	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1
Deaths	no.	1 427	1 574	1 532	1 511	1 479
Standardised death rate	rate	7.3	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.3
NUMBER OF RECORDED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS - year ended 31 December						
Homicide	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Assault - Domestic violence related	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Assault - Not domestic violence related	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Sexual offences	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Robbery - Without a weapon	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Robbery - With a firearm	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Robbery - With a weapon not a firearm	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Break and enter - Dwelling	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Break and enter - Non-dwelling	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Motor vehicle theft	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Steal from motor vehicle	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Steal from retail store	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Steal from dwelling	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Steal from person	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Driving offences	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Fraud	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Malicious damage to property	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Drugs - Possession and/or use	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Drugs - Dealing, trafficking	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
APPREHENDED VIOLENCE ORDERS ISSUED - year ended 31 December						
Number		-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Domestic	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Personal	no.	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Total	no.					
Rate per 100,000 population						
Domestic	rate	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Personal	rate	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
Total	rate	-	-	-	n.a.	n.a.
DRIVERS LICENCE HOLDERS - year ended 30 June						
Number holding licence	no.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Proportion of population aged 16 years and over	%	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

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Table 3: Industry

		2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
BUILDING APPROVALS - year ended 30 June						
Private sector houses	no.	913	805	1 091	978	740
Total dwelling units	no.	972	865	1 229	1 166	856
Value of total residential building	$m	154.7	159.2	234.8	241.1	191.6
Value of total non-residential building	$m	78.3	85.3	92.5	92.6	169.6
Value of total building	$m	233.0	244.5	327.2	333.7	361.2
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES - year ended 30 June						
Passenger vehicles	no.	3 559	3 822	4 213	4 125	3 980
Other vehicles	no.	3 018	3 186	3 680	3 936	3 719
Total new motor vehicle sales	no.	6 575	7 009	7 896	8 062	7 701
MOTOR VEHICLE CENSUS - REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLES - at 31 March						
Number by type of vehicle						
Passenger vehicles	no.	78 604	80 357	82 994	83 797	85 345
Campervans	no.	190	233	258	282	293
Light commercial vehicles	no.	29 349	30 186	31 426	31 961	32 806
Light rigid trucks	no.	926	1 031	1 097	1 087	1 159
Heavy rigid trucks	no.	4 710	4 696	4 804	4 633	4 684
Articulated trucks	no.	1 209	1 181	1 187	1 228	1 260
Non-freight carrying trucks	no.	118	101	101	104	103
Buses	no.	739	718	709	726	737
Motorcycles	no.	3 776	3 902	4 143	4 558	4 880
Total registered motor vehicles	no.	119 627	122 406	126 716	128 376	131 268
Number per 1,000 population						
Passenger vehicles	no.	442	452	469	472	478
Campervans	no.	1	1	1	2	2
Light commercial vehicles	no.	165	170	177	180	184
Light rigid trucks	no.	5	6	6	6	6
Heavy rigid trucks	no.	26	26	27	26	26
Articulated trucks	no.	7	7	7	7	7
Non-freight carrying trucks	no.	1	1	1	1	1
Buses	no.	4	4	4	4	4
Motorcycles	no.	21	22	23	26	27
Total registered motor vehicles	no.	673	689	715	723	735
Number by type of fuel						
Petrol - Leaded	no.	24 652	21 888	19 103	16 324	13 879
Petrol - Unleaded	no.	72 887	77 549	83 333	87 191	91 257
Diesel	no.	20 775	21 652	22 908	23 456	24 540
LPG/Dual/Other	no.	1 315	1 314	1 371	1 402	1 590
AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES * - year ended 30 June						
Total area						
Area of holding	ha	-	-	-	-	5 016 629.8
Cereals for grain	ha	-	-	-	-	1 169 443.6
Vegetables for human consumption	ha	-	-	-	-	2 270.9
Orchard trees (including nuts)	ha	-	-	-	-	2 565.2
All fruit (excluding grapes)	ha	-	-	-	-	2 608.9
Non-cereal broadacre crops	ha	-	-	-	-	54 653.2
Total number						
Sheep and lambs	no.	-	-	-	-	5 877 272
Milk cattle (excluding house cows)	no.	-	-	-	-	14 033
Meat cattle	no.	-	-	-	-	576 595
Pigs	no.	-	-	-	-	49 097

* Agricultural commodities data is subject to relative standard error (RSE) - for further information see ABS cat no. 7125.0

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Table 4: Environment/Energy

		2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
LAND AREA						
Land area	km^2	-	-	-	-	63 067.9

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